Wilmington, Delaware November 15, 2012

WHEREAS, the Council Member elected to serve the First Councilmanic District, Charles Potter, Jr., resigned effective on November 6, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, one of the At-Large Council Members, Charles M. Freel, resigned effective as of the close of business on November 12, 2012; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, vacancies have occurred in the Office of a City Council Member and the vacancies have been filled through an administrative process by the members of City Council pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-101 of the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-101 of the City Charter only addresses vacancies that occur prior to a general election in which City officers are nominated; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware Attorney General's Office has provided guidance regarding how to address the aforesaid post-election vacancies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, that the Council having certified by its Resolution on November 15, 2012, that the First District City Council seat is vacant due to the resignation of Council Member Charles Potter, Jr. and an At-Large City Council seat is vacant due to the resignation of Council Member Charles M. Freel, the Council deems it necessary and appropriate to act now to appoint the two candidates who respectively won the First District and At-Large Council seats in the November 6, 2012 election, to fill the aforesaid vacancies.

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Council President Griffiths

Council Member Congo FURTHER RESOLVED, that effective this Fifteenth Day of November, 2012, the City Council hereby appoints: 1) Nnamdi Chukwuocha, who was elected to serve the First Councilmanic District in the November 6, 2012 general election, to fill the vacancy created in the First Councilmanic District by the aforesaid resignation of Council Member Charles Potter, Jr. for the remainder of former Council Member Potter, Jr.'s unexpired term; and 2) Maria Cabrera, who was elected At-Large in the November 6, 2012 general election, to fill the vacancy created in one of the At-Large Council seats by the aforesaid resignation of Council Member Charles M. Freel for the remainder of former Council Member Freel's unexpired At-Large term.

Passed by City Council, November 15, 2012

ATTEST: M

Approved as to form this <u>/5</u> day of November, 2012.

City Solicitor

SYNOPSIS: This Resolution, in accordance with guidance received from the Delaware Attorney General's Office, appoints Nnamdi Chukwuocha to fill the vacancy in the First Councilmanic District and appoints Maria Cabrera to fill the At-Large vacancy.